



# DISTRICT FACTSHEETS

## WEST OXFORDSHIRE



Picture: Sustainable Woodstock

### OPPORTUNITIES IN WEST OXFORDSHIRE

Increasing the number of CAGs and level of activity

Fostering a localised district 'sub-'network for greater collaboration

Increased collaboration between local town councils to maximise resources available to support local groups

Potential for greater engagement with schools and young people

Potential for increased work on food sustainability

Increased collaboration on environmental intersection with social justice issues eg. fuel poverty, community cohesion, mental health and social isolation.

## WHO IS COMMUNITY ACTION GROUPS OXFORDSHIRE?

CAG Oxfordshire is a network of more than 100 community action groups working across Oxfordshire to make it a safer, fairer, greener, more sustainable place to live, work and visit. We support our members to set up and run activities that take action on issues impacting the environment, our communities, and our everyday lives. The CAG network delivers a number of projects and initiatives



## AREAS OF IMPACT

- Tree Planting and Mapping
- Biodiversity and Rewilding
- Liveable Streets and Active Travel
- Material Waste Reduction
- Food Sustainability and the Local Food Economy
- Tackling Food Waste and Food Insecurity
- Sustainable Energy
- Community-Centered Housing and Spaces



## SUPPORT CAG OFFERS

- 1:1 Member Support
- Training and Workshops
- Insurance Advice and Grants
- Special Project Grants
- Peer to Peer Support and Collaboration
- Network and Partnership Development
- Newsletters and Marketing Support

# OUR YEAR AT A GLANCE

In our 2022-2023 reporting year, the CAG network delivered some impressive achievements! We are proud to share the impact of the network and grateful to all those who showed up for their communities last year.

The network clocked in over **97,650** volunteer hours which has a value of **£1,572,995** and equivalent to **50** full time jobs!



More than **80,000** people participated in over **4,000** events, activities and outreach programmes! That's enough people to fill **five and a half** football pitches!

These activities resulted in approximately **198 TONNES** of food diverted from waste, preventing nearly **500 TONNES** of carbon dioxide emissions.



Throughout the year, groups planted over **6,000** trees and hedgerow plants.

21 groups ran **172 REPAIR CAFE** events enabling members of the public to 'fix not bin' broken household items, from electrical appliances and bicycles to clothes. We also launched **THREE** new Libraries of Things!



## CURRENT WEST OXFORDSHIRE CAG MEMBERS

There are 16 active CAG members based in West Oxfordshire, representing approximately 16% of the network. Click on the group name to find out more about each group:

### Burford Environmental Action Group

A group of Burford residents working for a greener community through tending community allotments, tree-planting, Repair cafés, freecycling events, green transport advice and more.

### Charlbury Green Hub

Aims to promote a better understanding of our local countryside, food, energy, travel, and the wider implications for our planet's limited resources and climate change.

### First and Last Mile Bus Service

A Community Interest Company working to create a model of sustainable, affordable, and flexible community transport, which complements existing commercial services.

### Green Fifield

A community group focused on protecting and enhancing the biodiversity and natural value of the parish, and promoting sustainable living

### Nature Recovery Network

Eynsham's Nature Recovery Network is a made up of individuals, community groups, local businesses and councillors in Eynsham and the surrounding parishes dedicated to understanding, protecting and restoring our local nature in all its diversity.

### One Planet Clanfield

A forum for the local community to learn about sustainable living and to encourage one another to take positive action towards living within the natural limits of the planet.

## CURRENT WEST OXFORDSHIRE CAG MEMBERS (CONTINUED)

### Peace Oak Association

Owns and cares for a 2 acre field off Cassington Road with its entrance through Cobbetts Close. It is a beautiful site with mature trees, an orchard of apples and fruit, wildflower meadows, a pond, a small vineyard, willow creations and more.

### Stonesfield Repair Cafe

The group runs repair cafes, aimed at fixing and mending items from electricals to clothing.

### Sustainable Bartons

The group organises initiatives, activities and events that: improve the local environment, raise awareness and reduce the collective environmental footprint.

### Sustainable Leaffield

The group works with the local community on long-term local renewable energy production (wind/solar), car pools, veg growing and swapping, clothes swaps and other initiatives.

### Sustainable Woodstock

We aim to raise public awareness among the residents of Woodstock and beyond on the climate emergency, energy conservation, sustainable travel, waste reduction, recycling, bio-diversity, sustainable economics and respect for the planet.

### Sustainable Wychwoods Action Group

The group aims to support and encourage sustainable living and action on climate change in the Wychwoods.

### Transition Chipping Norton

A local group of people working on 'Solutions for Sustainable Communities' in the Chipping Norton area. They run monthly 'Action and Learning' sessions and 'Wild Food Foraging Walks'.

### Green Transition Eynsham Area (Green TEA)

Helping people to make the transition to a more sustainable lifestyle, independent of fossil fuels. The emphasis is on grassroots action and building a more resilient community, enabling the community to live within the planet's resources.

### Windrush Bikes

A not for profit social enterprise. Our team of professional staff and amazing volunteers help people from all walks of life to make everyday journeys by bike and learn about bike mechanics.

### Witney Food Revolution

Witney Community Fridge aims to reduce food waste and provide support to the community in Witney and the surrounding area.

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